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SUBJECT: HOME LEAVE

REFS: (A) SINAI 1522 (B) SINAI 1393

1. YOU ARE CORRECT IN YOUR UNDERSTANDING THAT TIME SPENT IN THE U.S. EXTENDS HOME LEAVE ELIGIBILITY BUT NOT TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY. ALL SFM PERSONNEL ARE ELIGIBLE FOR TRANSFER AT COMPLETION OF TOUR OF DUTY. HOWEVER, THOSE EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE NOT COMPLETED 18 MONTHS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR DIRECT TRANSFER ONLY, I.E., NO LEAVE IN THE U.S. CHARGED TO "HOME LEAVE" MAY BE TAKEN ENROUTE TO NEXT ASSIGNMENT.

2. STATE 173072 AND STATE 183392 LISTED EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED TO SFM FOR 1 YEAR TOUR OF DUTY. ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES IN THESE TELEGRAMS WERE BASED ON TM EIGHTS FOR STATE PERSONNEL AND ARRIVAL NOTICES FOR AID PERSONNEL. IN THE CASE OF SFM PERSONNEL WHO WERE ASSIGNED TO SFM FROM OVERSEAS POST, EOD AT LAST POST WAS OBTAINED FROM PER. SINCE REF B DATES DIFFERED IN SOME CASES, AND TERMINOLOGY WAS INCORRECT, PLEASE REVIEW 3 FAM 450 AND RESUBMIT FULL LIST

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ACCORDING TO FORMAT PARA 4 BELOW.

3. FYI. SINAI 1393 INCORRECTLY USED HLE (HOME LEAVE ELIGIBILITY) TO INDICATE ETD (ESTIMATED TIME OF DEPARTURE). ALSO, SMA (SEPARATE MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE) SHOULD NOT BE USED TO INDICATE FAMILY VISITATION TRAVEL.

4. FORMAT: (A) LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE INITIAL.
(B) EOD (ENTERED ON DUTY) SFM, DATE, FROM LAST DUTY POST.
(C) IF LAST DUTY POST WAS OVERSEAS, EOD LAST POST.
(D) NUMBER OF DAYS BREAK IN CONTINUOUS SERVICE (SEE 3 FAM 452), DATE OF ARRIVAL ABROAD FOR HOME LEAVE PURPOSES.
(E) TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY DATE (1 YEAR FROM EOD SFM).
(F) CONTINUOUS SERVICE OVERSEAS AS OF TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY DATE (EOD LAST OVERSEAS POST, PLUS NUMBER OF DAYS BREAK IN SERVICE, PLUS SFM TOUR OF DUTY). (G) ETD. NOTE; WHEN DATE OF EMPLOYEE'S COMPLETION OF TOUR IS LESS THAN 18 MONTHS, SHORT EXTENSION OF TOUR MAY BE REQUESTED IN ORDER TO MEET REQUIREMENT FOR CONTINUOUS SERVICE ABROAD RATHER THAN BE DIRECT TRANSFERRED, PARTICULARLY WHEN TIME PERIOD IS SHORT, AS IN THE CASE OF MESSRS. CORCORAN AND GRAMMO.
SAMPLE: (A) DOE, JOHN F. (B) EOD SFM 2/21/76 FROM WASH, D. C. (C) N/A. (D) 34 DAYS FAMILY VISITATION IN U. S., REVISED EOD 3/24/76. (E) TRANS ELIG 2/21/77. (F) 11 MONTHS. (G) ETD: 2/21/77.

5. SINCE ONGOING ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE MADE SOON AND REPLACEMENTS ASSIGNED ACCORDINGLY, ANY WHO WISH TO REQUEST EXTENSION OF TOURS OR EXPRESS PREFERENCE FOR ONWARD ASSIGNMENT SHOULD INFORM APPROPRIATE CAREER COUNSELORS IN STATE OR AID IMMEDIATELY.
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